

---

### **ADDENDUM RATIONALE**

- A1 As per General Condition G15 of the 2020 Olympic Games Marathon Selection Policy, the Performance Leadership Group (PLG) of British Swimming in conjunction with the British Olympic Association (BOA) have reviewed the published policy in response to the postponement of the 2020 Olympic Games announced by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) on 24th March 2020.
- A2 As the IOC and FINA have confirmed that all named places from the 2019 FINA World Open Water Championships in Gwangju (top 10 finishers) will be selected, the PLG felt the 2020 Marathon Olympic Games Selection Policy should continue to operate as much as possible as this is consistent with the recent FINA and IOC decisions.
- A3 This Selection Policy Addendum details the changes to the 2020 Olympic Games Marathon Selection published policy which outlines the process to nominate a team to the BOA to represent Great Britain in the 10km marathon at the Olympic Games.
- A4 This Selection Policy Addendum should be read alongside the previously published 2020 Olympic Games Selection Policy.

### **POLICY DATE CHANGES**

- A5 At the time of writing, it is expected that the Olympic Games marathon swimming events will now take place on 4th and 5th August 2021 (to be confirmed when the IOC announce full aquatics schedule).
- A6 Notification of team selections under Notification Dates Clause 6.3 will now be in June 2021, exact date to be confirmed.

### **2020 MARATHON OLYMPIC GAMES MARATHON POLICY CLAUSES CARRIED FORWARD**

- A7 The performance objective outlined in clause 2.1 of the selection policy remains unchanged. The objective is to optimise medal outcomes in the Olympic 10km marathon event.
- A8 As per clauses 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3, selections will continue to be made in accordance with the FINA and IOC qualification pathway when republished. As no British athletes qualified via the 2019 FINA World Open Water Championships, selections can only be secured via the FINA Olympic Marathon Swim Qualifier (the 'Qualifier'). The first British male and first British female athlete at the 'Qualifier', will be nominated for selection subject to each achieving a top 9 finish. All selections are subject to BOA ratification.
- A9 The team size stated in clause 4.1 remains unchanged.
- A10 Selections for the 'Qualifier' have already been made under clause 5.1 of the selection policy. Given that there have been no changes to the principles of the FINA and IOC qualification process, or the maximum team size, these selections remain valid. The four (4) athletes already selected for the 'Qualifier' event on 30th/31st May 2020 will compete at the rescheduled event in 2021. As soon as the dates and venue for the 'Qualifier' events are advised by FINA, the four athletes will be contacted accordingly.